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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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Mr. Thomas M. Gilliland  
Public Information Officer  
Harris County Sheriff's Office  
1200 Baker Street  
Houston, Texas 77002

OR2016-23266

Re: Request for any and all public records that relate to the entry by representatives of the Harris County Sheriff's Department into the home of named individual at named location; on or about 08/09/16; deputy left his card identifying himself only as "Unit 40Z53"; [incident report no. 16-127672]; [HCSO File No. 14SO6001275].

Dear Mr. Gilliland:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 638328.

After reviewing your arguments and the submitted information, we have determined your request does not present a novel or complex issue. Thus, we are addressing your claims in a memorandum opinion. You claim the submitted information may be withheld from the requestor pursuant to section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code. We have considered your arguments and the submitted information and have determined that in accordance with section 552.108(a)(1) you may withhold the submitted information. However, you must release the basic information pursuant to section 552.108(c) of the Government Code. We note the submitted information includes a document that may have been filed with a court. Information filed with a court is generally a matter of public record and may not be withheld from disclosure. Gov't Code § 552.022(a)(17); *Star-Telegram, Inc. v. Walker*, 834 S.W.2d 54 (Tex. 1992). Thus, if the information has been filed with a court, you must release the information.

For more information on the cited exception, please refer to the open government information on our website at <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/og/memorulings>. You may also contact our Open Government Hotline at 1-877-OPENTEX.

Enc: Submitted documents

c: Requestor  
(w/o enclosures)